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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents U. S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2000. A Petition to Extend Time to respond from June 9, 2000 to September 9, 2000 is attached hereto. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims as indicated. All pending claims are set forth below for convenient reference.

A method for filling contact holes with metal by two-step 1. (As Allowed) deposition of metal layers, said method comprising the steps of: